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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document is provided in the English abstract attached to that document.

This application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice Of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (above). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested. Accordingly, it is

respectfully requested that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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